

# Surf Pines Home Owners Association Quarterly Newsletter January 2017

## President's Message

Susan Holloway



I hope your holidays were joyous, shared with loved ones, and that the only events were good ones. Surf Pines seemed to have been spared from the brunt of the storms. Let's hope our good luck continues through this winter.

When we began the process of educating Surf Pines residents about earthquakes and tsunamis we drew upon the expertise of the Nehalem Emergency Prep group. The need for preparation still exists, numerous new families have moved to Surf Pines and the predictions for a future disaster are louder than ever.

The Emergency Volunteer Corp of Nehalem Bay has published all of their materials into one 15 page booklet. I would like to take the booklet and tailor it to Surf Pines, and bring this subject to the forefront again - establishing meeting locations, walking plans and storage facilities, if possible.

Is anyone willing to help chair this effort? How much should we do? The county acknowledges that the Sunset Beach bridge will be destroyed by an earthquake (although they have been working on it and possibly retrofitting it for earthquakes) and that Surf Pines Lane will most likely flood, leaving us stranded. Further information is that 101 will be

destroyed and that it could be six months before there will be a way to reach Portland or even Astoria. I would like to provide the best information to our residents to allow each family to make good decisions about preparation for a disaster.

I am delighted that the Community Relations
Committee hosted the October 29 gathering to
welcome our new residents to Surf Pines. Even those
families who were unable to attend got the post
card and indications that we were welcoming them
into the community. And thank you to the Board
for attending and helping to host. Especially, thank
you to Tricia Gates and the Community Relations
Committee for spearheading this effort.

John and the Roads and Grounds Committee were asked to develop maintenance plans for the remainder of this fiscal year and then for the next five years - a list of the work necessary to keep Surf Pines an outstanding destination. That way the budget can reflect more than just road maintenance, including: pump maintenance, changing out lights, major house and meeting space issues, gate maintenance, maintaining and enhancing the ROWs and Manion property, and developing the park. Look for these goals at the start of 2017.

The Board will hold an Executive Work session on Saturday March 18, 2017 to begin the budgeting process for 2017/18. We are also considering changing the fiscal year to July 1 through June 30. This would be a by-law vote, and may be considered at the next Annual meeting. The reasoning is that we currently approve the budget after we have spent the first month's dollars. Changing the fiscal year would allow a budget vote prior to any spending.

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Thank you to staff and volunteers for all the work you do to make Surf Pines a desirable community: John and Carol Gates, Debbie Eddy, the Community Relations Committee for picnics, parties, garage sales and fun gatherings, and to Richard Puetz and the Roads and Grounds Committee for keeping the roads and grounds safe. And to the Board for the time and thought you put into helping manage Surf Pines.

#### **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:**

Surf Pines needs some help from the residents! Could you spare a morning to help manage weeds and brush with the Roads and Grounds Committee? Or help Susan Holloway with the Emergency Booklet for each family to have the latest information? Or consider a Board position for 2017 - 2020.

Susan Holloway President

## **Security Corner**

John Gates

Carol and I would like to thank all of you for the beautiful cards and Christmas wishes. We are so thankful for all the friends we have here in Surf Pines.

As a new year begins I hope you will all make an effort to know your neighbors. Watching out for one another is the best security a neighborhood can have. If you see anything strange going on, give me a call. I would much rather answer a false call than miss a real one.

If any of you notice an older light blue Honda driving down driveways or on private property please call me right away. I have had several reports of this, but always too late to stop them.

And last of all, if you see a truck full of junk coming into Surf Pines please give me a call. Twice now someone has dumped junk on the side of the road down on Ocean Drive.

In closing we would like to wish each of you a "Happy and Healthy" New Year.

John Gates Surf Pines Security

#### **Roads and Grounds**

Richard Puetz SURF PINES "on the lighter side"

Surf Pines Roads and Grounds Committee has received the vendor bids for the Right-of-Way (R.O.W.) trimming project. The documents were reviewed for completeness and scope of work to be performed. We voted and selected a vendor. Roads and Grounds Committee will be sending the bid document and budget suggestions to the HOA board for their review and vote.

We're planning on having the vendor complete this project prior to Spring 2017 so it will not impede the paving projects in our community set for the spring of 2017.

On behalf of the Roads and Grounds Committee this will be the final notice to the residents to trim your trees and shrubs along the R.O.W.

Should you have concerns about trees close to the exiting road that pose a problem for the roadway, please call John Gates for his assistance.

This will be our best defense against tree roots from tearing up the pavement and causing needless damage and extra cost overruns.

Wishing everyone a Happy Holliday Season!

Richard Peutz
Volunteer with the R&GC



Surf Pines Christmas Party! Hosted by Michael and Liz Steszyn

## **Community Relations**

Tricia Gates

Surf Pines Holiday Gathering

The community of Surf Pines gathered to celebrate the 2016 holiday season on Saturday, December 3rd. The group was on the small side but that didn't stop us from having a lovely, intimate evening of sumptuous food, good drink, lively conversations and best of all, music! A local duo calling themselves "The Birthday Suits" (two great guys born on the same day, but fully clothed!) entertained with background music that later became Christmas carols and a sing-a-long. It was a very lovely evening and if you weren't there, you really missed a treat!

A big, big thank you to Liz and Michael Steszen for hosting! And, as usual, the Community Relations Committee stepped up to make sure everything went smoothly – thank you Robin, Katie, Bonnie, Claire and Nancy! Very special thanks to our "extra hands" Bill Rhodes and Joe Luciak – we so appreciated your help to light up the night!

#### HAPPY HOLIDAYS TO ALL!



"The Birthday Suits" performing at the Surf Pines Christmas party!

Kate Besse resident Guest Speaker!



#### **Kate Besse**

New Neighbor and Future Guest Speaker!

Kate Besse (pronounced "Bess") moved to the Surf Pines community October 13, 2016. Just two days later she appeared at the inaugural "New Resident Welcome" event sponsored by the Board and Community Relations Committee of Surf Pines Association. She was anxious to meet her neighbors!

Growing up, Kate spent time in Gearhart and was determined to settle close to the ocean and the North Coast. With clear intention and the right circumstances, Kate was able to purchase in Surf Pines. She knew she was home the first time she set foot on the property she now owns. Though currently dividing her time between Portland and Surf Pines, she hopes to be able to move to Surf Pines permanently this coming spring.

Spend a few minutes with Kate and you soon learn that she has many talents and experiences to share. That's why we immediately asked her to be our resident guest speaker this winter and she graciously accepted.

Why Kate Besse? Kate is the author of "Fat Chicks Float Well." She's an open water swimmer, Life Coach, avid therapeutic yoga practitioner and gardener (and she makes the best ever eggnog!). She is trained in healing trauma, addiction, and PTSD through nature, nurturing and nutrition. Kate wants to be "in service" to her community and intends to have either a radio talk show or advice column in our local newspaper. There's much more to Kate—but you'll need to attend her speaking event to learn about her adventures, personal path and guidance for a more authentic life. But wait! There's more! She has plans to create a "Gulping Gourmet" dinner series in Surf Pines – yum!

Thanks Kate! We're very happy you've joined our community!

What? Resident Guest Speaker Event Who? Kate Besse When? February 25th (exact time TBD) Where? Home of Susan Holloway – 90054 Ocean Drive

## **Real Estate Listings**

Debbie Eddy Administrator

PROPERTY/MLS#	LIST PRICE	OWNER	LISTING MLS MEMBER
33099 Malarkey Ln 15-1152	875,000	Schnip Keith C Rev Trust	Cindy Hawkins Colley Larcin Realty Group Inc.
89061 Stellar Ln 15-641	995,000	Proyect Mitchell/ Wall Deborah	Sally Conrad Cascade Sotheby's International Realty
33252 Silverspot Ln 16-112	415,000	Hutzell	Barbara Maltman Windermere Stellar
90022 Ocean Dr 15-1539	675,000	Jackson Karla	Barbara Maltman Windermere Stellar
89100 Ocean Dr 15-950	525,000	Barker Douglas & Cheryle	Barbara Maltman Windermere Stellar
89880 Ocean Dr 16-1411	750,000	Williams Vincent J Trustee	Karen Radditz LLC Totem Properties LLC Julia Radditz
89607 Lakeside Ct 16-808	529,000	Cellars Natalie C Rev Liv Tr	Tim Regan Windermere Stellar
89352 Manion †6-1060	495,000	Kerr/Bjork	Rinda Shea Windermere Stellar
T/L 3200 Ocean Dr 09-479	185,000	Jesse Dale R	Rinda Shea Windermere Stellar
Lot 2200 Ocean Dr 16-270	175,000	Reyneke Trust	Rinda Shea Windermere Stellar
Ocean Dr 15-29	199,900	Germann Mark	Craig Weston Windermere Stellar Dana Weston



It snowed in Surf Pines!!!

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### **Surf Pines Directory**

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